

😊 **Wish Clauses – a quick overview and practice** 😊

*I wish he **would** stop borrowing my car. (bad habit, annoying behaviour)*

*I wish I **had** a new car NOW.*

*I wish my car **hadn't** broken down YESTERDAY.*

Choose the best option.

1. I can't play the piano. – I wish \_\_\_\_ the piano.  
a) I can play            b) could play            c) had played
2. She wishes she \_\_\_\_ so much time sunbathing yesterday.  
a) didn't spend        b) hadn't spent        c) could spend
3. I wish I \_\_\_\_ about your birthdays - can you forgive me?  
a) couldn't forget    b) didn't forget        c) hadn't forgotten
4. A lot of small kids wish they \_\_\_\_ – like birds.  
a) could fly            b) had flown            c) can fly
5. My sister wishes her son \_\_\_\_ clever. But I think he is really really stupid.  
a) had been            b) would be            c) was
6. She drank too much at the party, now she wishes she \_\_\_\_.  
a) didn't drink        b) wouldn't drink      c) hadn't drunk
7. His talking irritates me – if only he \_\_\_\_ so much.  
a) talked              b) wouldn't talk        c) could talk
8. What a shame you couldn't make it to the party. – I wish I \_\_\_\_ there too.  
a) went                b) would go            c) had gone
9. Like any teenager I wish I \_\_\_\_ a bit more money.  
a) would have        b) had                    c) had had
10. I wish I \_\_\_\_ him, he ruined everything.  
a) would meet        b) didn't meet        c) had never met
11. I wish I \_\_\_\_ her to water my flowers. They are all dead now!  
a) hadn't asked        b) didn't ask            c) wouldn't ask
12. I wish Helen \_\_\_\_ asking me about my feelings towards her – it makes me really nervous.  
a) would stop        b) didn't stop        c) had stopped